

NEWS RELEASE

10-134

Today's Date: Thursday, October 14, 2010

District: 1

Contact: Julie East **Phone:** (707) 441-3998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

UPCOMING ROAD CLOSURE: ROUTE 169 AT CAPPELL CREEK BRIDGE

Eureka – Caltrans announced that Route 169 at the Cappell Creek Bridge (also known as Kepel Creek Bridge) will be closed on the night of Monday, October 18, from 10:00 PM to 2:00 AM. The Cappell Creek Bridge is located approximately 11.4 miles north of or downriver from Weitchpec. During the closure, crews will work to prepare the new bridge for traffic.

This project, the Four Bridges Project, is replacing bridges located at Cappell Creek, Mawah Creek, Rube Ranch Creek, and Martins Ferry School Creek. These bridges are nearing the end of their useful life. The new bridges will be wider with improved shoulders. The roadway shoulders approaching the bridges will be widened and paved, and bridge approach metal beam guardrail will be installed. The completed bridges will include a unique Yurok tribal design. This project is anticipated to be completed in Winter 2011.

Caltrans appreciates the public's patience and is mindful of the impact to the public of road closures. For questions about this closure, please call Richard Mullen at 707-498-3516. For the most current information on all California State Highways, please call 1-800-GAS-ROAD (1-800-427-7623) or visit www.dot.ca.gov/hg/roadinfo.

###

